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This Amendment is being filed in response to the Final Action mailed May 6, 2002.

Please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 12 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) An apparatus for holding a fish, comprising:

a molded plastic clip having two or more opposing protrusions moveable between a first position and a second position, the protrusions urged towards one another by a biasing member to create a gripping force between the protrusions, in the first position, the gripping force capable of holding a fish without punching a hole in the fish, and

a length of rope having a loop formed at a first end, the loop securing the rope to the clip, the loop capable of exerting a force on the biasing member thereby increasing the gripping force.

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12. (Amended) An apparatus for holding a fish, comprising:

a clip formed of two or more molded plastic elongated rigid members, the rigid members having a first end and a second end, the rigid members each having a gripping portion

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